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Application No. : 09/877,035

Mail Stop Amendment
Group Art Unit : 2152

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Examiner : Quoc Tran

For : DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND DATA PROCESSING METHOD

Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **Election with Traverse** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time.

No additional fee is required.

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 22, 2004, in which a one-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on October 22, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Invention I, comprising claims 1-9 and 11-13, as identified by the Examiner. The above election is made with traverse for the reasons set forth below.

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present paper, Applicants will have elected with traverse the invention comprising claims 1-9 and 11-13.

In the Official Action, the Examiner required an election between two inventions: Invention I, including claims 1-9 and 11-13, and Invention II, including claims 10, 14-15 and 16-20. Applicants respectfully traverse the above restriction requirement and submit that it is inappropriate.